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- Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. A copy of the patent(s), together with a copy of the claims and drawings of the pending application(s) is attached along with PTO 1449.
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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

Reference AO (5-43528) on Form PTO-1449:

A charge in a rotational speed of a member of an automatic transmission for downshifting is detected during downshifting, and torque-down of an engine is started near a completion time of the change in the rotational speed. Meanwhile, torque return of the engine is started when a predetermined time has elapsed since the start of the torque-down.

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